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STRUCTURE**

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 15, 2004, Applicant submits the following remarks and request for a two month extension of time to respond:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 20 of this paper.

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